

Maine Revised Statutes

**Title 29-A: MOTOR VEHICLES HEADING: PL  
1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (new); Pt. B, §5 (aff)**

**Chapter 17: EQUIPMENT HEADING: PL  
1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (new); Pt. B, §5 (aff)**

**§1953. SPLASH GUARDS**

**1. Required.** A truck, truck tractor, trailer and semitrailer must be equipped with suitable guards that will effectively reduce the spray or splash of mud, water or slush caused by the rear wheels.

[ 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF) .]

**2. Exception.** Splash guards are not required for:

A. A truck with a registered gross vehicle weight of 6,000 pounds or less; [1995, c. 584, Pt. A, §3 (AMD) .]

B. A dump truck:

(1) While being operated on construction or reconstruction projects in a construction area established by the Department of Transportation; and

(2) On a public way between the project and a pit or quarry where materials are being obtained when the pit or quarry is within 7 miles of the construction area; [1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF) .]

C. A truck tractor when not hauling a trailer or semitrailer; [1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF) .]

D. A fire department vehicle; [1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF) .]

E. A motor vehicle equipped with fenders; or [1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF) .]

F. A truck with a stake body that extends not less than 6 feet beyond the rear axle and that is registered under section 505. [1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF) .]

[ 1995, c. 584, Pt. A, §3 (AMD) .]

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